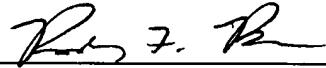


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Sir:

Please enter the following preliminary amendments in the above-referenced patent application before the first examination in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.115.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper and include 3 pages of enclosed red-lined sketches.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings:

Applicant has amended Figures 1, 2, and 8 in accordance with the enclosed red-lined sketches to correct obvious errors in the reference characters of the figures. In particular, the duplicate occurrence of reference character "92" has been deleted in Figure 1. The duplicate occurrence of reference character "132" has been deleted and replaced with reference character "134" in Figure 5. Omitted reference character "192" has been inserted into Figure 8.